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1. POUCH COPY OF SENATE FOREIGN OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTE NOT YET RECEIVED.
2. BELIEVE MY PERSONAL ASSESSMENT OF THE NEED FOR CONTINUED US ASSISTANCE TO CAMBODIA (REFTEL C) CAN AND SHOULD BE DECLASSIFIED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TABLE ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE (REFTEL C, PARA 4 C). LATTER SHOULD BE REPLACED WITH A TABLE SHOWING MILITARY ASSISTANCE AS \$172.7 MILLION IN FY 71 AND \$171.5 MILLION IN FY 72, WITH A FOOTNOTE INDICATING FY 70 MAP TOTALED \$8.9 MILLION. ECONOMIC DATA IN THE TABLE IS UNCLASSIFIED.
3. WE BELIEVE THERE ARE NO SECURITY GROUNDS FOR OBJECTING TO DECLASSIFICATION OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE KHMER REPUBLIC CONTAINED IN THE
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INOUE COMMITTEE REPORT (REFTEL B).

4. THE SUBCOMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CLEARLY REQUIRE A DETAILED RESPONSE, BUT IT WOULD APPEAR TO US THAT A WRITTEN REBUTTAL PREPARED BY THIS MISSION WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE USEFUL VEHICLE FOR DOING SO. OUR COMMENTS ON MANY OF THE POINTS RAISED HAVE ALREADY BEEN SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO CODEL REQUESTS.

5. FURTHER MORE, WE PLAN TO GIVE THE USGAO REPRESENTATIVES

FULL COMMENTS ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS WHEN THEY COME HERE MAY 23, ALONG WITH DETAILED DOCUMENTATION OR CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO PROBLEMS THE SUBCOMMITTEE IDENTIFIES. IT WOULD NOT BE A USEFUL TACTIC TO PREEMPT THEIR STUDY OF THE ISSUES INVOLVED. WE WILL PROVIDE YOU ELECTRICALLY WITH FULL READOUT OF COMMENTS AND MATERIALS GIVEN GAO REPRESENTATIVES.

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